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Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Applicant hereby petitions for leave to file this amendment within one month after the expiration of the time to respond to the last communication of this office, or any additional time applicable.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees required to my Deposit Account #231706, and to credit any overpayment thereto.

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